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IN THE CLAIMS

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A composite dielectric material comprising a resin material and an approximately spherical dielectric ceramic powder to be mixed with said resin material, the composite dielectric material being characterized in that:

said dielectric ceramic powder is based on BaO-R₂O₃-TiO₂;

said dielectric ceramic powder comprises an oxide of a transition metal element having at least two states of ionic valences less than 4;

said dielectric ceramic powder has a specific surface area of 1.2 m²/g or less and exclusive of 0;

the content of said dielectric ceramic powder is 40 vol% or more and 70 vol% or less when the total content of said resin material and said dielectric ceramic powder is represented as 100 vol%; and

the electric resistivity of said composite dielectric material is 1.0×10^{12} Ω -cm or more,

wherein R is a rare earth element and R_2O_3 is an oxide of the rare earth element,

said dielectric ceramic powder comprises a Mn oxide as said oxide of a transition metal element having at least two states of ionic valences less than 4 and the content of said Mn oxide in said composite dielectric material is 0.01 to 0.1 wt% in terms of MnO, and

the dielectric constant s of said composite dielectric material is 10 or more wherein the measurement frequency therefore is 2 GHz.

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2. (Currently amended) A composite dielectric material comprising a resin material and a dielectric ceramic powder to be mixed with said resin material, the composite dielectric material being characterized in that:

said dielectric ceramic powder is based on BaO- R_2O_3 -TiO₂ and the sphericity thereof is 0.8 to 1;

said dielectric ceramic powder comprises an oxide of a transition metal element having at least two states of ionic valences less than 4;

said dielectric ceramic powder has a specific surface area of 1.2 m²/g or less and exclusive of 0;

the content of said dielectric ceramic powder is 40 vol% or more and 70 vol% or less when the total content of said resin material and said dielectric ceramic powder is represented as 100 vol%; and

the electric resistivity of said composite dielectric material is 1.0×10^{12} Ω cm or more.

wherein R is a rare earth element and R_2O_3 is an oxide of the rare earth element,

said dielectric ceramic powder comprises a Mn oxide as said oxide of a transition metal element having at least two states of ionic valences less than 4 and the content of said Mn oxide in said composite dielectric material is 0.01 to 0.1 wt% in terms of MnO, and

the dielectric constant ε of said composite dielectric material is 10 or more wherein the measurement frequency therefore is 2 GHz.

- 3. Cancelled.
- 4. (Original) The composite dielectric material according to claim 1 or 2, characterized in that the sphericity of said dielectric ceramic powder is 0.85 to 1.
- 5. (Original) The composite dielectric material according to claim 1 or 2, characterized in that said dielectric ceramic powder has a composition that BaO: 6.67 to 21.67 mol%, R₂O₃: 6.67 to 26.67 mol%, and TiO₂: 61.66 to 76.66 mol%.

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6. (Currently amended) The composite dielectric material according to claim 1 or 2, characterized in that:

said dielectric ceramic powder <u>further</u> comprises one or more of a Mn exide, a Cr oxide, a Fe oxide, a Co oxide, a Ni oxide and a Cu oxide, as said oxide of the transition metal element having at least two states of ionic valences less than 4.

7-8 (Cancelled).

- 9. (Original) The composite dielectric material according to claim 6, characterized in that the sphericity of the particles of said dielectric ceramic powder is 0.8 to 1.
- 10. (Currently amended) The composite dielectric material according to any one of claims 1 or 2 1, 2 and 6, characterized in that the mean particle size of said dielectric ceramic powder is 0.5 to 10 μm.
- 11. (Currently amended) The composite dielectric material according to any one of claims 1 or 2 1, 2 and 6, characterized in that the dielectric constant c thereof is 10 or more and the Q value thereof of said composite dielectric material is 300 or more, wherein the measurement frequency is 2 GHz therefore the dielectric constant c and the Q value.

12-13 (Canceled).

14. (Currently amended) The composite dielectric material according to any one of claims 1 or 2 1, 2 and 6, characterized in that said resin material is a polyvinyl benzyl ether compound.

15-20 (Canceled).